Baba Ramdev (also known as Ramdev Pir), Barmer, Rajasthan

Ref: AI Overview

Undu Kashmir in the Barmer district of Rajasthan is the sacred birthplace of the revered folk deity Baba Ramdev Ji. A grand temple known as the Avatar Dham has been built at this historic site, drawing large numbers of devotees, especially during Bhadwa Beej. [1, 2, 3]

Key Details of the Birthplace

- **Location:** Undu Kashmir (Ramderia) village in Barmer, Rajasthan.
- **Significance:** Recognized as the exact origin and birth location of Baba Ramdev Ji before he moved and took samadhi at Ramdevra (Pokhran).
- **Architecture:** Built using intricate carved yellow stone, featuring a soaring 110-foot-tall temple structure.
- **Festivals:** Major celebrations and fairs take place here during the auspicious *Bhadwa Beej* month. [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]

Would you like to know about the route and travel options to reach Undu Kashmir from Barmer, or details on the **annual fair**?
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Ramdev Pir (1352–1385 AD; Samvat 1409–1442), also known as **Ramdev Ji** or **Ramsha Pir** , is a Hindu deity worshipped in the Malwa region of Gujarat , Rajasthan and Madhya Pradesh in India. He was a 14th-century Rajput and belonged to the Pokhran region. [1] He is said to have possessed supernatural powers and dedicated his life to the welfare of the poor and the underprivileged sections of society. He is especially worshipped by the Meghwal community in Rajasthan. Many social groups in India consider him their Ishta-dev. Ramdev is also considered an incarnation of Lord Krishna .

Background

Raja Ajmal (Ajmal Ji Tanwar) married Rani Minaldevi, daughter of Pemji Bhati of Chhahan Baru village. Childless, the king went to Dwarka and prayed to Lord Krishna for a son. They

subsequently had two sons: the elder, Viramdev, and the younger, Ramdev. Ramdev was born in Bhadra Sudi Duj, Samvat 1409, into a Tanwar Rajput family in Ramdevra , Jaisalmer district . He was married to Netalde, daughter of Dalai Singh, a Sodha Rajput from Amarkot .

Ramdev believed in the equality of all human beings, whether high or low, rich or poor. He helped the poor and oppressed by fulfilling their wishes. He is often depicted riding a horse. His followers are spread across Rajasthan, Haryana , Punjab , Gujarat, Madhya Pradesh, Mumbai , Delhi , and the Sindh region of Pakistan . Many fairs are held in his memory in Rajasthan, and temples are built in his name in many states. [3][4]

The Story of Raja Ajmal

King Ajmal came to Dwarka and prayed for several days. Finally, in despair, he asked the idol of Krishna why he was suffering this pain. The idol did not answer the king's repeated requests. Enraged, the king threw a dry laddu on the idol's head. The temple priest thought the king was mad and advised him to go to the mystical Dwarka to meet the Lord. Dwarka, which had been swallowed by the sea many centuries ago, was located at the bottom of the Arabian Sea. The fearless king jumped into the sea to meet the Lord.

The Lord was pleased with the king's devotion and faith and granted him a boon. The king requested that Krishna be born as his son. The Lord promised to visit the king. Subsequently, the royal family was blessed with a son named Viramadeva. After a few years, Krishna appeared to Viramadeva in a small form.

Muslims worship Ramdev as Ramsha Pir. He is said to have possessed miraculous powers, and his fame spread far and wide. According to legend, five Pirs from Mecca came to test his powers. Ramdev welcomed them and requested them to dine with him. The Pirs refused, saying they only ate from their own utensils, which were in Mecca. Ramdev smiled and said, "Look, your utensils are coming," and then their utensils flew through the air and landed here from Mecca. Seeing his powers, the Pirs honored him and called him Ramsha Pir. [5][6][7][8]

The five saints who came to witness Ramdev's powers were so impressed that they decided to stay with him. Their graves are located near Ramdev's samadhi. Ramdev performed a total of 24 miracles in his lifetime. [9]

Samadhi

Baba Ramdev took Samadhi alive in Ramdevra (10 km from Pokhran) in Rajasthan on Bhadrapad Shukla Ekadashi in 1442 AD .

Ramdev Jayanti

Ramdev Jayanti, the birthday of Baba, is celebrated annually by his devotees throughout India. This date falls on Bhadra Shukla Dwitiya. An inter-state fair, known as the "Bhadwa Mela," is held at the Ramdevra temple from Bhadwa Sudi Beej to Ekadashi. Millions of Hindu and Muslim devotees from all over the country travel to this fair and pay homage at Baba's Samadhi.

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Baba Ramdev Mandir, 110 feet tall, at His birthplace in Barmer, Rajasthan

Ref: Dainik Bhaskar

After 614 years, in 2019, a grand 110-feet-high temple was built on the birthplace of Baba Ramdev.

Barmer (Lakharam Jakhar). After 614 years, the construction of a temple in Undu, Kashmir, the birthplace of the famous folk deity Baba Ramdev, has been completed at a cost of 20 crore rupees. Yellow stones from Jaisalmer were used in the temple's construction. Work on the temple began in 2007. Its foundation is filled with cement and concrete 35 feet deep, ensuring it can withstand even a 7.5 magnitude earthquake. 600 tons of golden-hued stone from Jaisalmer were used in its construction. In addition, 60,000 cement bags and 1,200 truckloads of concrete were used. Sculptors and stone craftsmen from Odisha and Madhya Pradesh built the temple. The temple stands 110 feet tall from the foundation. Its consecration will take place in December 2019. Prime Minister Narendra Modi has also been invited to commemorate the occasion. For the first time, Baba Ramdev's temple is ready at his birthplace. Om Prakash Chandak, the temple's trustee, said that for the first time, a grand 110-foot-high temple has been completed at Baba Ramdev's birthplace. The temple's consecration ceremony is scheduled for December. Prime Minister Narendra Modi was also invited.

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Baba Ramdev Ji Maharaj

Baba Ramdev Ji Maharaj is remembered as a great **folk saint of Rajasthan**, loved for his compassion, equality, and spiritual power [1][2][3]. His life is honored through devotion, bhajans, pilgrimage, and oral tradition, especially at Ramdevra, his chief samadhi shrine [1][2][4].

Greatness of the Sant

Baba Ramdev Ji is worshipped as a saint who stood above caste barriers and inspired social harmony [1][2][3]. Devotees revere him as Ramdevji, Ramsa Pir, Ramdeo Pir, and Runicha Raja [1][2]. His greatness lies not only in miracles and legends, but in the deep affection ordinary people continue to hold for him [1][3].

Location

His principal sacred center is **Ramdevra / Runicha in Jaisalmer district, Rajasthan**, where his samadhi is located [1][2][4]. The devotion to Baba Ramdev Ji also spreads widely across Rajasthan, Gujarat, Madhya Pradesh, and other regions [1][2]. For devotees, Ramdevra is the heart of his living presence [1][4].

Parents

Tradition identifies his father as **Ajmalji Tanwar** and his mother as **Mainade / Mena De** [2][3]. These names are used in devotional biographies and oral narrations of his life [2][3]. They should be kept separate from the modern yoga guru with the same name [1][5].

Birth

Baba Ramdev Ji is traditionally believed to have been born in **Vikram Samvat 1409**, roughly **1352 CE**, on **Bhadrapad Shukla Dwitiya** [1][2][6]. His birth is celebrated as the coming of a divinely blessed saint [2][3]. Different traditions place his birth in the wider **Barmer–Jaisalmer devotional landscape** [1][2][3].

Childhood

His childhood is described as spiritually bright, gentle, and different from ordinary children [2][3]. Even as a boy, he is said to have shown detachment from worldly pleasure and attraction toward devotion [2][3]. Devotional accounts portray him as compassionate and inwardly mature from an early age [2][3].

Young Age

In youth, Baba Ramdev Ji is remembered as a person of strong moral character and unusual spiritual discipline [2][3]. He is often described as living a life that balanced household responsibility with saintly awareness [2][6]. This stage of life is important because it shows the union of royal dignity and spiritual renunciation in his personality [2][3].

Spiritual Inclinations

His spiritual inclination is one of the central features of his biography [2][3]. He is remembered for devotion, self-restraint, and concern for the oppressed [1][2][3]. His life is associated with the ideal that true spirituality must remove discrimination and uplift society [1][2].

Guru and Sadhana

The exact guru lineage is not consistently recorded in the available sources [2][3]. His life is better understood as a path of **bhakti, meditation, austerity, and inner discipline** rather than as a formally documented guru-shishya tradition [2][3]. His sadhana is remembered through silence, prayer, service, and yogic power [2][3].

Travels

Detailed travel records are limited, but his sacred geography is strongly linked to **Runicha/Ramdevra and the wider western Rajasthan route** [1][2]. Devotees continue to travel to his shrine from many states, making his legacy a living pilgrimage tradition [1][2][4]. In an ebook, this can be presented as a saint whose influence travels through devotion rather than historical itinerary [1][2].

Teachings

Baba Ramdev Ji's teachings center on **equality, humility, compassion, truth, and unity** [1][2][3]. He is remembered for rejecting caste pride and promoting brotherhood among people [1][2][3]. His message remains relevant because it speaks to both spiritual growth and social harmony [1][3].

Temple or Ashram

The main pilgrimage center connected with him is the **samadhi shrine at Ramdevra** [1][2][4]. This shrine functions as his living spiritual center, drawing pilgrims throughout the year [1][4]. During the annual fair, the site becomes a major gathering place of bhakti, folk music, and worship [4][7][8].

Main Disciples

A fully verified canonical list of disciples is not clearly available in the current sources [2][3]. However, **Dali Bai** is widely remembered as one of the most important devotees in his

tradition [9][10][11]. For an ebook, it is better to write “main devotees and saintly associates” unless you have a source-specific disciple list [9][11].

Miracles

Baba Ramdev Ji is popularly believed to have performed miracles and shown divine grace [1][2][3]. Devotional narratives speak of protection, healing, and extraordinary spiritual presence [2][3]. Since miracle stories vary by tradition, they should be written as sacred legends rather than as fixed historical claims [2][3].

Written Works and Discourses

No strong verified record of independent written works authored by Baba Ramdev Ji was found in the accessible sources [2][3]. His teachings live mainly through **oral tradition, bhajans, katha, and folk devotional singing** [9][10][11]. This oral legacy is one reason his memory remains so strong in Rajasthan [2][3].

Final Days and Samadhi

Tradition says Baba Ramdev Ji entered samadhi at a young age, around **33 years** [1][2]. His samadhi at **Ramdevra** is the most sacred center of his devotion [1][2][4]. The annual Ramdevra fair keeps that samadhi tradition vibrant and alive [4][7][8].

Present State of the Ashram

The Ramdevra shrine remains a living pilgrimage center with year-round devotion and special activity during the annual fair [4][7][8]. The fair is held in the Bhadrapada period and attracts lakhs of devotees [4][7][8]. For current daily routine details, official shrine records would be needed, because the accessible sources mainly confirm the broader devotional life rather than a minute daily schedule [4][7].

Donation Info

No verified official donation contact was confirmed in the current sources [1][2][4]. For publication safety, write: **“Donation details and trust contact should be confirmed from the official shrine office.”** [1][2]. This avoids using uncertain numbers in print.

Other Relevant Information

Baba Ramdev Ji’s devotion is unique because it crosses religious and social boundaries [1][2][3]. His annual fair at Ramdevra is one of the most important folk-religious gatherings in western India [4][7][8]. The living bhajan tradition, especially stories associated with Dali Bai, keeps his message active in popular memory [9][10][11].

Closing Note

Baba Ramdev Ji Maharaj is not remembered merely as a saint of the past, but as a living presence in the hearts of devotees [1][2][3]. His life stands for devotion, equality, courage, and harmony [1][2]. That is why his name continues to inspire bhakti across Rajasthan and beyond [1][4].

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Baba Ramdev Ji Maharaj

Baba Ramdev Ji (also known as Ramdev Pir, Ramsha Pir, or Baba Ramdevra) is a 14th-century folk deity of Rajasthan. He is revered across Western India as an incarnation of Lord Krishna and a champion of social equality, caste unity, and humanitarian service.

Greatness of Saint

Baba Ramdev Ji is celebrated as a pioneer of social reform and spiritual harmony. At a time when society was deeply divided by untouchability and religious orthodoxy, he treated people of all castes and faiths equally. He is one of the few spiritual icons worshipped with equal reverence by Hindus (as an avatar of Lord Krishna) and Muslims (who venerate him as *Ramsha Pir*).

Location

His primary center of activities (*Karmasthali*) and final resting place is **Ramdevra** (historically known as Runicha), situated about 12 km from Pokhran in the Jaisalmer district of Rajasthan, near the Barmer border region.

Parents & Lineage

- **Father:** King Ajmal ji Tanwar (a Rajput ruler of Pokhran)
- **Mother:** Queen Minaldevi (Menadevi)
- **Lineage:** Tanwar (Tomar) Rajput clan

Birth He was born in **Vikram Samvat 1409 (1352 AD)** on *Chaitra Sudi Panchami* (celebrated also on *Bhadrapada Shukla Dwitiya*, known as *Babari Beej*) at Undu-Kashmir in the Barmer region/Pokhran area of Rajasthan.

Childhood & Young Age

According to legend, King Ajmal was childless and prayed to Lord Krishna at Dwarka, after which Baba Ramdev Ji and his elder brother Viramdev were born. From a young age, Baba Ramdev Ji displayed divine signs, compassion for animals and the poor, and a detachment from royal luxuries.

Spiritual Inclinations & Guru

He turned toward intense spiritual practices, yoga, and meditation from an early age.

- **Guru: Swami Balnath Ji**, a renowned Nath yogi under whose guidance Baba Ramdev Ji mastered yoga, spiritual disciplines, and scriptures.

Sadhana & Travels He spent years in rigorous *sadhana* in the desert lands of Western Rajasthan. He traveled extensively across present-day Rajasthan, Gujarat, Sindh, and Haryana to spread messages of devotion (*bhakti*), moral living, and non-discrimination.

Teachings & Philosophy

- **Universal Equality:** Outlawed social discrimination based on caste, class, or gender.
- **Inner Purity:** Emphasized true devotion (*bhakti*) over empty ritualism.
- **Service (*Sewa*):** Treated helping the diseased, poor, and marginalized as the highest form of worship.
- **Composite Culture:** Promoted harmony between Hindu and Islamic traditions.

His Main Disciples

- **Bhaktamati Dali Bai:** His most devoted adoptive sister/disciple from the Meghwal community, who attained *samadhi* alongside him.
- **Harji Bhati:** A devoted companion and poet.
- **Rani Netaldevi:** His devoted wife (princess of Amarkot).
- **Lakha Banjara:** A prominent merchant follower.

Miracles Performed (*Parchas*)

Local tradition records 24 major divine manifestations (*Parchas*):

- **The Cloth Horse:** As a child, a toy cloth horse given to him flew into the sky by his divine grace.
- **Testing by Mecca Pirs:** Five Sufi Pirs came from Mecca to test his spiritual authority. When they refused food served in local dishes, Baba Ramdev Ji miraculously summoned their own original eating bowls directly from Mecca. Impressed, they acknowledged him as a supreme Pir (*Ramsha Pir*).
- **Subduing Bhairav Tantrik:** He defeated and reformed a oppressive demon/sorcerer named Bhairav who plagued the Pokhran region.
- **Parcha Bawdi:** Created a step-well whose water is believed to have miraculous healing powers for skin ailments and illnesses.

Written Works & Discourses

He composed devotional hymns and spiritual poetry known as **24 Baniya** (*Chaubis Baniya*), emphasizing ethical conduct, *nam-simran* (chanting the divine name), and brotherhood.

Final Days & Samadhi In **Vikram Samvat 1442 (1385 AD)**

At the age of 33, Baba Ramdev Ji chose to take *Jeevit Samadhi* (entering a meditative state underground while alive) at Ramdevra on *Bhadrapada Shukla Ekadashi*. His disciple Dali Bai took *samadhi* three days prior at the same spot.

Present State of Ashram / Temple & Daily Routines

- **The Temple:** A grand temple complex was constructed over his tomb by **Maharaja Ganga Singh of Bikaner** in 1931. It houses the main *samadhi* of Baba Ramdev, Dali Bai's *samadhi*, and the resting sites of the five Mecca Pirs.
- **Daily Routines:** The temple opens before dawn with *Mangala Aarti*, followed by *Sringar Aarti*, offerings of *Bhog* (often *churma* and sweet rice), evening *Aarti*, and night devotional singing (*Jagran/Jama*).
- **Annual Fair (*Ramdevra Mela*):** During the Hindu month of Bhadrapada (August–September), millions of devotees from Rajasthan, Gujarat, Punjab, and Madhya Pradesh undertake long foot pilgrimages (*Padyatra*) carrying colorful flags (*Nishan*) to visit the shrine.

Donation & Pilgrim Information

- **Management:** The shrine is managed by the **Baba Ramdev Samadhi Samiti / Trust** alongside local authorities in Ramdevra.
- **Services:** Free community kitchens (*annakshetra/bhandaras*) and shelter halls (*dharamshalas*) operate year-round for pilgrims. Official donations are accepted via registered trust counters inside the temple premises for shrine maintenance and charitable activities.

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Videos

Baba Ramdev Ji maharaj…complete story (20 min):

https://youtu.be/qodmyZcbvYc?si=HoaBx8P5a2rAXVJT

Baba Ramdev Ji Maharaj Temple at His birthplace…Darshan and History (6 min):

https://youtu.be/EcfwxSlfadg?si=hWIyNGALYDZYoKGE

Ramdev Ji birthplace (9 min):

https://youtu.be/7cl68hEcK0E?si=Aoa4vnIlhM-ybh74

Baba Ramdev Ji Mandir at His birthplace Barmer…vlog (15 min):

https://youtu.be/i4fPtCsjbOQ?si=rWko9n3b1u4N9iE-

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